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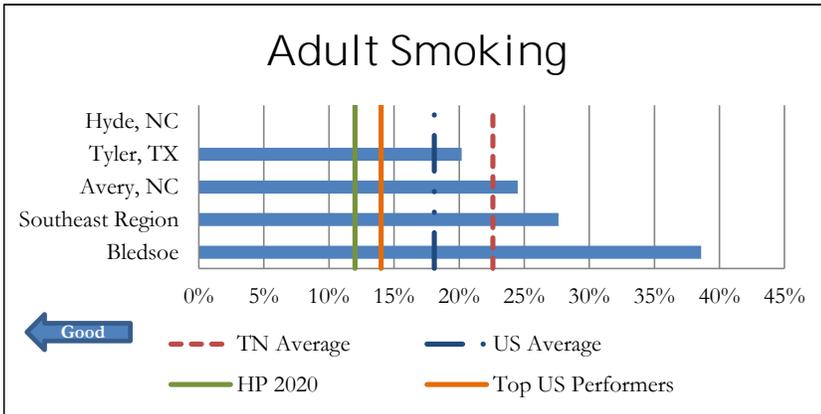
## DRIVE YOUR COUNTY TO THE TOP TEN:

Accelerating Action Towards Improving County Health

## Bledsoe County

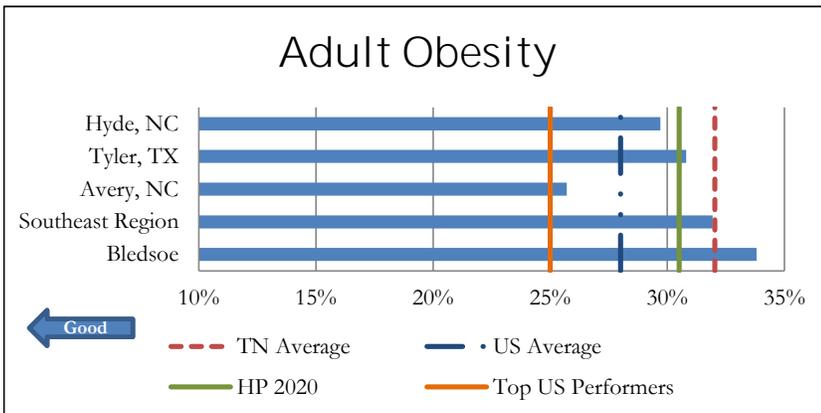


<b>Demographics</b>	<b>Population:</b>	12,841	<b>&lt;18 YOA:</b>	19.41%	<b>65+ YOA:</b>	17.57%	<b>% Rural:</b>	100.00%
	<b>Unemployment:</b>	10.40%	<b>% Females:</b>	45.71%	<b>% Males:</b>	54.29%	<b>Graduation Rate:</b>	82.50
	<b>Single parent households:</b>	30.40%	<b>MHI:</b>	\$35,715				



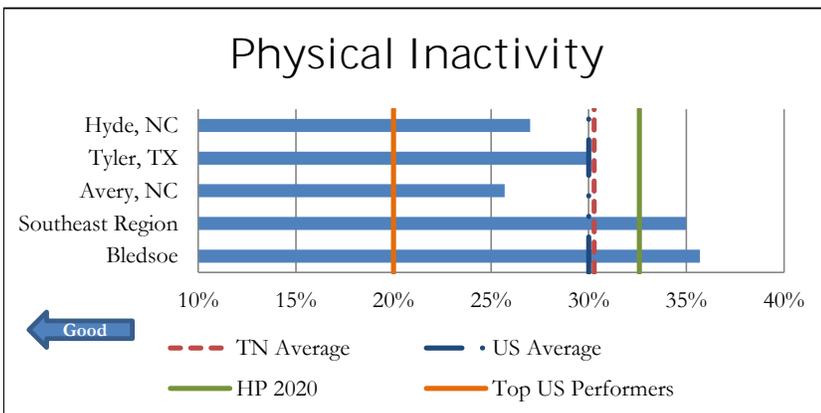
### Top Third

Measure	Value
Violent Crime	92.69
Low Birthweight	7.16%
Sexually Transmitted Infections	187.60
Driving Alone to Work	80.68%
Preventable Hospital Stays	75.58
Injury Deaths	77.49



### Middle Third

Measure	Value
Premature Death	9,203.09
Children in Single-Parent Households	30.40%
Diabetic Monitoring	86.97%
Food Environment Index	7.30
Severe Housing Problems	13.65%
Income Inequality	4.63
Air Pollution - Particulate Matter	13.71
Access to Exercise Opportunities	49.37%
Poor Mental Health Days	4.40
Teen Births	52.53



### Bottom Third

Measure	Value
Drinking Water Violations	100.00%
Alcohol-Impaired Driving Deaths	54.55%
Poor Physical Health Days	8.40
Adult Smoking	38.60%
Social Associations	6.25
Uninsured	19.40%
Children in Poverty	36.30%
Long Commute - Driving Alone	54.60%
Primary Care Physicians	6396:1
High School Graduation	82.50%

YOA: Years of Age. MHI: Median Household Income. HP 2020: Healthy People 2020 Goal. Adult Smoking: Percentage of adults who are current smokers. Source: Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System; 2006-2012. Adult Obesity: Percentage of adults that report a BMI of 30 or more. Source: CDC Diabetes Interactive Atlas; 2011. Physical Inactivity: Percentage of adults aged 20 and over reporting no leisure-time physical activity. Source: CDC Diabetes Interactive Atlas; 2011. Prepared by the Division of Policy, Planning and Assessment, Office of Performance Management, Tennessee Department of Health. Nashville, TN. opm.health@tn.gov or 615-741-5001.



Health Outcomes	Length of Life	Premature Death									
		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value	
		35	Lewis	9203.09	7769.75	1433.34	↑Bad ↓Good	6,811.00	Avery, NC	7146.02	
		For every 100 people in the county, 1 person in the county need to live one year closer to age 75.							Tyler, TX	9843.27	
		Source		National Center for Health Statistics - Mortality files			Year(s)	2010-2012	Hyde, NC	9709.83	
Health Outcomes	Quality of Life	Poor or Fair Health									
		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value	
		75	Putnam	27.00%	16.60%	10.40%	↑Bad ↓Good	12.40%	Avery, NC	21.60%	
		Improve the health of 11 out of every 100 people in the county who, in general, report being in poor or fair health.							Tyler, TX	25.50%	
		Source		Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System			Year(s)	2006-2012	Hyde, NC	NA	
		Source		Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System			Year(s)	2006-2012	Hyde, NC	NA	
			Poor Physical Health Days*								
	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value		
	88	Chester	8.40	3.40	5.00	↑Bad ↓Good	3.70	Avery, NC	4.30		
	Engage people in the county on ways to reduce number of poor physical health days reported by residents by 5 days per month.							Tyler, TX	5.40		
	Source		Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System			Year(s)	2006-2012	Hyde, NC	2.00		
			Poor Mental Health Days								
Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value			
57	Henderson	4.40	2.80	1.60	↑Bad ↓Good	3.50	Avery, NC	2.70			
Engage people in the county on ways to reduce number of poor physical health days reported by residents by 2 days per month.							Tyler, TX	NA			
Source		Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System			Year(s)	2006-2012	Hyde, NC	NA			
		Low Birthweight									
Rank	5th Ranked	Value	5th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value			
7	Putnam	7.16%	7.02%	0.14%	↑Bad ↓Good	8.10%	Avery, NC	7.61%			
Reduce the number of low birth weight babies by 1 for every 100 live births.							Tyler, TX	8.65%			
Source		National Center for Health Statistics - Natality files			Year(s)	2006-2012	Hyde, NC	8.95%			
Health Factors	Health Behaviors	Adult Smoking									
		Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value	
		88	Knox	38.60%	18.50%	20.10%	↑Bad ↓Good	18.10%	Avery, NC	24.50%	
		Get 53 out of every 100 current adult smokers in the county to quit smoking.							Tyler, TX	20.20%	
		Source		Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System			Year(s)	2006-2012	Hyde, NC	NA	
		Source		Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System			Year(s)	2006-2012	Hyde, NC	NA	
			Adult Obesity								
	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value		
	62	Hamilton	33.80%	29.10%	4.70%	↑Bad ↓Good	28.00%	Avery, NC	25.70%		
	Get 14 out of every 100 current obese adults in the county to reduce their BMI below 30.							Tyler, TX	30.80%		
	Source		CDC Diabetes Interactive Atlas			Year(s)	2011	Hyde, NC	29.70%		
			Food Environment Index								
Rank	1st Ranked	Value	1st Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value			
42	Williamson	7.30	8.9	1.6	↑Good ↓Bad	7.60	Avery, NC	7.50			
Increase the county's food index score by 1.6.							Tyler, TX	4.40			
Source		USDA Food Environment Atlas, Map the Meal Gap			Year(s)	2012	Hyde, NC	4.10			

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Health Factors

Health Behaviors

Physical Inactivity	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	71	Wilson	35.70%	28.50%	7.20%	↑Bad ↓Good	30.00%	Avery, NC	25.70%
<a href="#">Percentage of adults aged 20 and over reporting no leisure-time physical activity</a>	Get 21 out of every 100 currently physically inactive adults to exercise during leisure time.							Tyler, TX	30.10%
Source	CDC Diabetes Interactive Atlas			Year(s)	2011		Hyde, NC	27.00%	
Access to Exercise Opportunities	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	55	Loudon	49.37%	78.50%	29.13%	↑Good ↓Bad	77.00%	Avery, NC	100.00%
<a href="#">Percentage of population with adequate access to locations for physical activity</a>	Consider how to remove barriers to access exercise locations to reach an additional 29.13 percent of the county's population.							Tyler, TX	40.16%
Source	Business Analyst, Delorme, ESRI, & US Census Tigerline Files			Year(s)	2010 & 2013		Hyde, NC	64.82%	
Excessive Drinking	Rank	1st Ranked	Value	1st Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	NA	Greene	NA	3.30%	NA	↑Bad ↓Good	15.00%	Avery, NC	NA
<a href="#">Percentage of adults reporting binge or heavy drinking</a>	No information available							Tyler, TX	NA
Source	Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System			Year(s)	2006-2012		Hyde, NC	NA	
Alcohol-Impaired Driving Deaths	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	92	McNairy	54.55%	18.75%	35.80%	↑Bad ↓Good	32.00%	Avery, NC	20.00%
<a href="#">Percentage of driving deaths with alcohol involvement</a>	Reduce the number of alcohol related driving deaths by 35.8 percent.							Tyler, TX	25.71%
Source	Fatality Analysis Reporting System			Year(s)	2009-2013		Hyde, NC	22.22%	
Sexually Transmitted Infections	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	14	Scott	187.60	144.30	43.30	↑Bad ↓Good	458.00	Avery, NC	56.70
<a href="#">Number of newly diagnosed chlamydia cases per 100,000 population</a>	Consider ways to educate 3 out of every 10 persons self-reporting to be involved in any sexual contact to commit to using safe sex practices to prevent the infection of Chlamydia.							Tyler, TX	261.00
Source	National Center for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, STD, & TB Prevention			Year(s)	2012		Hyde, NC	221.90	
Teen Births	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	57	Putnam	52.53	37.04	15.49	↑Bad ↓Good	31.00	Avery, NC	25.63
<a href="#">Teen birth rate per 1,000 female population, ages 15-19</a>	For every 100 teenage females (ages 15 to 19 years) in the county, consider ways to prevent 30 teen(s) from becoming pregnant.							Tyler, TX	67.91
Source	National Center for Health Statistics - Natality files			Year(s)	2006-2012		Hyde, NC	47.26	

Clinical Care

Uninsured	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	86	Blount	19.40%	14.64%	4.76%	↑Bad ↓Good	18.00%	Avery, NC	26.23%
<a href="#">Percentage of population under age 65 without health insurance</a>	Get 25 out of every 100 currently uninsured adults ages 18-64 to obtain health insurance.							Tyler, TX	24.37%
Source	Small Area Health Insurance Estimates			Year(s)	2012		Hyde, NC	24.63%	
Primary Care Physicians	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	85	Anderson	6396:1	1397:1	4999	↑Bad ↓Good	1,355.00	Avery, NC	1357:1
<a href="#">Ratio of population to primary care physicians</a>	To reach a population-to-provider ratio at or exceeding that of the 10th ranking county, 8 primary care providers would need to be recruited to the county. More importantly, if the county's value is greater than 3,500, this county would be considered a Health Professional Shortage Area.							Tyler, TX	4292:1
Source	Area Health Resource File/American Medical Association			Year(s)	2012		Hyde, NC	5859:1	
Dentists	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	64	Maury	4280:1	1675:1	2605	↑Bad ↓Good	1,663.00	Avery, NC	5904:1
<a href="#">Ratio of population to dentists</a>	To reach a population-to-provider ratio at or exceeding that of the 10th ranking county, 5 dental care providers would need to be recruited to the county. More importantly, if the county's value is greater than 5,000, this county would be considered a Health Professional Shortage Area.							Tyler, TX	7155:1
Source	Area Health Resource File/American Medical Association			Year(s)	2013		Hyde, NC	NA	

Health Factors	Clinical Care	Mental Health Providers	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
		<a href="#">Ratio of population to mental health providers</a>	81	McNairy	12841:1	688:1	12153	↑Bad ↓Good	753	Avery, NC	281:1
To reach a population-to-provider ratio at or exceeding that of the 10th ranking county, 18 mental health providers would need to be recruited to the county. More importantly, if the county's value is greater than 30,000, this county would be considered a Health Professional Shortage Area.									Tyler, TX	3577:1	
	Source	CMS, National Provider Identification file					Year(s)	2014	Hyde, NC	954:1	
Preventable Hospital Stays	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value		
	26	Marshall	75.58	58.47	17.11	↑Bad ↓Good	65.00	Avery, NC	95.00		
<a href="#">Number of hospital stays for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions per 1,000 Medicare enrollees</a>	For every 100 Medicare enrollees, prevent 1 Medicare enrollees from being hospitalized for ambulatory-care sensitive conditions.									Tyler, TX	87.75
	Source	Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care					Year(s)	2012	Hyde, NC	62.35	
Diabetic Monitoring	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value		
	40	Crockett	86.97%	88.92%	1.95%	↑Good ↓Bad	84.00%	Avery, NC	84.87%		
<a href="#">Percentage of diabetic Medicare enrollees ages 65-75 that receive HbA1c monitoring</a>	For every 100 diabetic Medicare enrollees, get 2 additional Medicare enrollees to receive HbA1c screening.									Tyler, TX	84.94%
	Source	Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care					Year(s)	2012	Hyde, NC	90.00%	
Mammography Screening	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value		
	81	Knox	52.48%	65.71%	13.23%	↑Good ↓Bad	63.00%	Avery, NC	65.43%		
<a href="#">Percentage of female Medicare enrollees ages 67-69 that receive mammography screening</a>	For every 100 female Medicare enrollees, get 14 additional Medicare enrollees to receive their mammography screening.									Tyler, TX	45.86%
	Source	Dartmouth Atlas of Health Care					Year(s)	2012	Hyde, NC	60.56%	
High School Graduation	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value		
	82	Carroll	82.50%	95.32%	12.82%	↑Good ↓Bad	80.00%	Avery, NC	91.09%		
<a href="#">Percentage of ninth-grade cohort that graduates in four years</a>	For every 100 ninth graders, assist 13 additional ninth graders to graduate within four years.									Tyler, TX	93.77%
	Source	data.gov, supplemented w/ National Center for Education Statistics					Year(s)	2011-2012	Hyde, NC	NA	
Some College	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value		
	82	Shelby	34.79%	62.09%	27.30%	↑Good ↓Bad	63.00%	Avery, NC	55.75%		
<a href="#">Percentage of adults ages 25-44 years with some post-secondary education</a>	For every 100 adults between 25-44 years of age, assist 2730 additional adults to complete some coursework at the collegiate level.									Tyler, TX	46.77%
	Source	American Community Survey					Year(s)	2009-2013	Hyde, NC	46.75%	
Unemployment	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value		
	64	Blount	10.40%	6.89%	3.50%	↑Bad ↓Good	8.10%	Avery, NC	9.27%		
<a href="#">Percentage of population ages 16 and older unemployed but seeking work</a>	For every 100 persons ages 16 years and older, help 4 persons successfully find employment.									Tyler, TX	9.65%
	Source	Bureau of Labor Statistics					Year(s)	2013	Hyde, NC	9.52%	
Children in Poverty	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value		
	86	Montgomery	36.30%	21.40%	14.90%	↑Bad ↓Good	23.00%	Avery, NC	31.60%		
<a href="#">Percentage of children under age 18 in poverty</a>	For every 100 children (under 18 years) in poverty, help 42 children to find assistance to get out of poverty.									Tyler, TX	28.20%
	Source	Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates					Year(s)	2013	Hyde, NC	32.50%	
Income Inequality	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value		
	51	Williamson	4.63	4.11	0.52	↑Bad ↓Good	NA	Avery, NC	4.14		
<a href="#">Ratio of household income at the 80th percentile to income at the 20th percentile</a>	To reach a household income ratio at or below that of the 10th ranking county reduce the gap between the 80th percentile and 20th percentile by 1 household(s).									Tyler, TX	4.14
	Source	American Community Survey					Year(s)	2009-2013	Hyde, NC	3.83	

Health Factors

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Social & Economic Factors

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Children in Single-Parent Households	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
	39	Cheatham	30.40%	25.43%	4.97%	↑Bad ↓Good	21.00%	Avery, NC	22.34%
<a href="#">Percentage of children that live in a household headed by single parent</a>	For every 100 single parent households in the county, investigate ways to encourage 17 households to be a multi-parent household.							Tyler, TX	35.29%
Source	American Community Survey		Year(s)	2009-2013		Hyde, NC	59.44%		
Social Associations	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
87	Henry	6.25	16.70	10.44	↑Good ↓Bad	33.00%	Avery, NC	18.71	
<a href="#">Number of membership associations per 10,000 population</a>	For every 100 people in the county, increase the number of membership associations by 1.							Tyler, TX	12.58
Source	County Business Patterns		Year(s)	2012		Hyde, NC	10.24		
Violent Crime	Rank	1st Ranked	Value	1st Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
3	Moore	92.69	57.16	35.53	↑Bad ↓Good	387.00	Avery, NC	130.75	
<a href="#">Number of reported violent crime offenses per 100,000 population</a>	For every 100 persons in the county, prevent 39 people from committing a violent crime.							Tyler, TX	359.20
Source	Uniform Crime Reporting - FBI		Year(s)	2010-2012		Hyde, NC	NA		
Injury Deaths	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
26	Fayette	77.49	68.81	8.67	↑Bad ↓Good	59.00	Avery, NC	77.57	
<a href="#">Number of deaths due to injury per 100,000 population</a>	For every 1,000 population consider ways to prevent 112 deaths as a result of intentional and unintentional injury.							Tyler, TX	97.97
Source	CDC WONDER mortality data		Year(s)	2008-2012		Hyde, NC	68.90		
Air Pollution - Particulate Matter	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
51	Greene	13.71	13.14	0.57	↑Bad ↓Good	11.10	Avery, NC	13.01	
<a href="#">Average daily density of fine particulate matter in micrograms per cubic meter (PM2.5)</a>	Reduce the average daily measure of fine particulate matter by 0.57 micrograms per cubic meter (PM2.5).							Tyler, TX	9.19
Source	CDC WONDER Environmental data		Year(s)	2011		Hyde, NC	11.46		

Physical Environment

Drinking Water Violations	Rank	1st Ranked	Value	1st Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
94	Anderson	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	↑Bad ↓Good	8.00%	Avery, NC	15.52%	
<a href="#">Percentage of population potentially exposed to water exceeding a violation limit during the past year</a>	For every 100 persons in the county exposed to water violations, assist 1 person(s) from exposure to health-based violations in public water systems.							Tyler, TX	2.92%
Source	Safe Drinking Water Information System		Year(s)	FY2013-14		Hyde, NC	0.00%		
Severe Housing Problems	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
46	Lewis	13.65%	10.96%	2.70%	↑Bad ↓Good	19.00%	Avery, NC	15.02%	
<a href="#">Percentage of households with at least 1 of 4 housing problems: overcrowding, high housing costs, or lack of kitchen or plumbing facilities</a>	For every 100 persons in the county experiencing housing problems, help 20 person(s) to find housing assistance.							Tyler, TX	12.01%
Source	Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) data		Year(s)	2007-2011		Hyde, NC	20.74%		
Driving Alone to Work	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
14	Davidson	80.68%	80.03%	0.65%	↑Bad ↓Good	76.00%	Avery, NC	79.58%	
<a href="#">Percentage of the workforce that drives alone to work</a>	For every 100 persons that currently drive alone to work, convince 1 to carpool or take mass-transportation.							Tyler, TX	76.71%
Source	American Community Survey		Year(s)	2009-2013		Hyde, NC	58.08%		
Long Commute - Driving Alone	Rank	10th Ranked	Value	10th Ranked Value	Difference	Shift in Value	US Average	Peer County	Peer Value
86	Hamilton	54.60%	25.10%	29.50%	↑Bad ↓Good	34.00%	Avery, NC	32.20%	
<a href="#">Among workers who commute in their car alone, the percentage that commute more than 30 minutes</a>	For every 100 persons that currently drive more than 30 minutes alone to work, convince 55 to carpool or take mass-transportation.							Tyler, TX	40.70%
Source	American Community Survey		Year(s)	2009-2013		Hyde, NC	26.00%		